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## BREAKS SENATORIAL RECORD IN MASS.



DAVID I. WALSH

It took a bachelor to be the first Democratic U. S. senator from Massachusetts since the Civil War. He is Senator David I. Walsh, junior member, his colleague being Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Republican. Lodge is the senior member. Walsh's personal popularity helped put him across, it is said.

## WE SHOULD WORRY

Deep Oil Well in Earth's Crust Might Create a Volcano.

Our valued friend Editor Brice of the News-Herald seems to be worried over the possible out-come of drilling holes in his country in search of oil, and prints the following in his paper:

John R. Williams, champion deep-hole digger of the world, who is now in Texas arranging to put down a deep test at some point in the oil fields, believes it is possible to dig a hole so deep that a virtual volcano might be

Mr. Williams recently finished drilling the deepest hole in the world. It is situated in Harrison County, W. Va., and was abandoned at a depth of 7,266 feet. Before putting down that well he drilled a hole in Washington County, Pa., to a depth of more than 6000 feet.

The principal thing learned by Mr. Williams is his deep well explorations is that the further down the hole goes the hotter it gets. It would be possible to reach a point of something like two miles beneath the earth's surface where it would be hot enough to melt the metal of the drill. It is hot enough to boil water at a depth of 8000 feet, Mr. Williams said. At the depth of 7,266 feet the thermometer, which was let down to the bottom of the hole, recorded a temperature of 193 degrees Fahrenheit.

The interior of the earth is a molten mass—there is no doubt about it in Mr. Williams' opinion. Just what should happen if this seething furnace should be tapped he does not venture to predict, but he thinks it might cause a gigantic volcanic eruption.

No scientific discoveries of much consequence were made by drilling these deep holes, according to Mr. Williams. Different results might be obtained in Texas, he thinks.

We print the above as a warning to the Reelfoot Lake deep borers not to bore too deep and blow up Obion and Lake counties.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

We presumed that every one knew that under the health regulations of the state that all school buildings are thoroughly fumigated after each outbreak of epidemic conditions.

After the first epidemic of scarlet fever, diphtheria, mumps, etc., the high school janitor, with the assistance of Ben Nerren and myself, thoroughly fumigated each room of all school buildings and the library, as C. H. Moore and Prof. J. M. Calvin can certify to.

The few sporadic cases are caused from house to house exposure. We are glad to inform the public that with the co-operation of the parents and teachers we are doing all in our power to wipe out all contagious diseases.

J. A. Phelps, Co. Health Officer.

## R. A. M. CALL MEETING.

Hickman Chapter No. 49, Royal Arch Masons, will hold a call meeting on the 5th Monday in this month for the purpose of conferring degrees. There are four candidates—Messrs. Henry, Folia, Vance and Ledwith. The river route will probably be chosen, regardless of the recent inundations.

Work will begin at 8:00 p. m. with M. E. M. and R. A. degrees at night.

In Indiana the farmer keeps his clover seed in the bank. We are not told what he does with his eggs, but probably he has made arrangements with the United States treasury about that.

## All Women's Ready-to-Wear, Furs and Millinery Reduced

Every woman in Hickman and vicinity will be glad to hear of this sale, for it is unusual to be able to buy such high class merchandise at such savings—right before Christmas, when savings are most appreciated.



Important reductions on

## COATS

Here is an example of the special values. Our regular \$20, \$25, \$35, \$40, \$45, \$50, \$55, \$60, \$65, \$70, \$75, \$80, \$85, \$90, \$95, \$100, \$110, \$120, \$130, \$140, \$150, \$160, \$170, \$180, \$190, \$200, \$210, \$220, \$230, \$240, \$250, \$260, \$270, \$280, \$290, \$300, \$310, \$320, \$330, \$340, \$350, \$360, \$370, \$380, \$390, \$400, \$410, \$420, \$430, \$440, \$450, \$460, \$470, \$480, \$490, \$500, \$510, \$520, \$530, \$540, \$550, \$560, \$570, \$580, \$590, \$600, \$610, \$620, \$630, \$640, \$650, \$660, \$670, \$680, \$690, \$700, \$710, \$720, \$730, \$740, \$750, \$760, \$770, \$780, \$790, \$800, \$810, \$820, \$830, \$840, \$850, \$860, \$870, \$880, \$890, \$900, \$910, \$920, \$930, \$940, \$950, \$960, \$970, \$980, \$990, \$1000, \$1010, \$1020, \$1030, \$1040, \$1050, \$1060, \$1070, \$1080, \$1090, \$1100, \$1110, \$1120, \$1130, \$1140, \$1150, \$1160, \$1170, \$1180, \$1190, \$1200, \$1210, \$1220, \$1230, \$1240, \$1250, \$1260, \$1270, \$1280, \$1290, \$1300, \$1310, \$1320, 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